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SCIENTIFIC NEWS.

Prof. Edward D. Cope died in Philadelphia, April 12, 1897, aged 56 years.

Among the recent calls and advancements in position we note the following: Karl Futterer to the professorship of mineralogy and geology in the Technical School at Karlsruhe; Peter August Pauly to the head of the zoological institute of the experiment station recently established in connection with the University of Munich; Dr. Erich Wernicke to be professor extraordinarius of hygiene in the University of Marburg; Dr. Alexander P. Anderson to the professorship of botany in Clemson College; Dr. Fritz Noll to be titular professor of physiology in the University of Heidelberg; Dr. Carl Burckhardt, of Basel, to the position of geologist in the Museum of La Plata; Dr. Leo Wehrli, of Zürich, to be mineralogist in the same institution; Dr. Lugni Buscalioni, of Turin, to the assistantship in the Botanical Institute of the University of Rome; Dr. Pietro Cannarella to be assistant in the Botanical Garden at Catania; Anton Pestalozzi, assistant in the Botanical Museum of the University of Zürich; Dr. Johannus Petruschky to the directorship of the Hygienic-Bacterological Institute in Danzig; Dr. Hermann Ross, of Palermo, to the position of custodian of the Botanical Gardens of Munich; Wladimir Iwan Palladin, of Charkoff, to the professorship of Botany in Warsaw; Dr. Siedentopf, of Göttingen, to the position of assistant in mineralogy in the University of Griefswald; Dr. Karl Eckstein to be titular professor of zoology in the Academy of Forestry at Eberswalde; Dr. Ludwig Plate to be titular professor of zoology in the University of Berlin; Dr. William E. Castle to the instructorship of biology in Knox College; Dr. Romeo Fusari to the professorship of human anatomy in the University of Modena; Dragutin Gorjanovich-Kramberger to the professorship of geology and paleontology in the University of Agram; Anton Heinz to the professorship of botany in Agram; Dr. Mijat Kishpatish to the professorship of mineralogy and petrography in Agram; Dr. Hans Lenk, of Erlangen, to the professorship of geology and mineralogy in the University of Würzburg; Dr. Giulio Valente, of Perugia, to the professorship of human anatomy in the University of Catania; A. Engler to the professorship of forestry in Zürich; Dr. Walter Felix to be professor extraordinarius of osteology in Zürich; Dr. Siegfried Mollier, of München, to be professor extraordinarius of anatomy in Göttingen; Dr. Umberto Rossi, of Florence, to be professor extraordinarius of human anatomy in Perugia; Dr. Joseph Kriechbaumer to be conservator of the Zoological Collections in Munich; J. J. Luehmann to

the directorship of the Herbarium of Melbourne; Johannes Rùchert to the professorship of descriptive and topographical anatomy in the University of Munich; Pasquale Baccarini to the professorship of botany in the University of Catania; Prof. Alexander Fischer von Waldheim, of Warsaw, to the position of director of the Botanical Gardens in St. Petersburg; Dr. Oswald Kruch to the professorship of botany in the Agricultural Institute in Perugia; Isaac H. Burkell, of Cambridge (Eng.), to a position as assistant in the Kew Herbarium; Emilio Chiovenda to the conservatorship of the Botanical Collections of the University of Rome; Dr. Biagio Longo as assistant in the Botanical Institute of the University of Rome; Dr. Achille Terracciano as assistant in the Botanical Institute of Palermo; Dr. Beckenkamp, of Mülhausen, to the professorship of mineralogy at Würzburg; Dr. Gaupp to be professor *extraordinarius* of anatomy at the University of Freiburg.

Recent Deaths:—Dr. Emile Moreau, ichthyologist, at Paris, September 11, 1896; Joseph Chappell, entomologist, at Manchester, Eng., October 3, aged 67; Dr. Rudolf Raimann, botanist, at Vienna, December 5, aged 33; Joseph Ullepitsch, botanist, at Wilfersdorf, Austria, December 16, at the age of 68; Professor Joseph von Gerlach, anatomist, of Munich, December 17, aged 76; Ferdinand Morowitz, Vice-President of the Russian Entomological Society and a student of Hymenoptera, December 17, aged 70; Lugui Calori, professor of anatomy in the University of Bologna, December 19, aged 90; Dr. Theodor Lickfett, director of the Bacteriological Institute in Danzig, December 28, aged 49; Heinrich Gaetke, ornithologist, of Helgoland, January 1, aged 83; Franz von Baur, Professor of Forestry, at Munich, January 2, aged 66; Dr. August Streng, professor of mineralogy, at Giessen, January 7, aged 67; Dr. A. A. van Bemmeln, director of the Zoological Garden at Rotterdam, January 9; Dr. Karl Heitzman, anatomist, at Rome, aged 61; Sven Anders Bernhard Lundgren, professor of geology in the University of Lund, January 7, aged 53; Alois Rogenhofer, student of Lepidoptera, at Vienna, January 15, aged 65; Salvatore Trinchese, professor of comparative anatomy in the University of Naples, January 18; Hermann von Nordlinger, formerly professor of forestry in the University of Tübingen, at Stuttgart, January 19, aged 78; Frederick Isaac Warner, botanist, at Winchester, Eng., November 8, aged 54; Antonio Cecchi, African traveller, killed by the natives in Somali Land, November 26; Dr. Paul Taubert, botanist, at Manaos, No. Brazil, January 1; C. F. Wiepkin, for nearly 60 years director of the Museum at Oldenburg, January 29; Constantin, Baron

of Ettinghausen, phytopaleontologist and professor of botany in the University of Graz, February 1, aged 76; Dr. Otto Buchner, in Giesen, February 5, aged 68 years; Dr. Filippo Togrini, conservator of the Botanical Institute at Pavia; Ernst Georg Dannenberg, lichenologist, at Fulda, Germany, December 4; M. Thollen, botanist and chief of the exploration of the French Congo, at Libreville, January; Jean Baptiste Barla, director of the Natural History Museum in Nice; Dr. Berthand, professor of geology in Lille; Georg Gereke, student of Diptera, in Hamburg; Jaroslar Koshtal, assistant in zoology in the Technical School at Prague.

Veteran Scientist Honored.—The Kansas Academy of Science at its recent annual meeting at Topeka placed the name of Chaplain John D. Parker on the roll of life members, as a recognition of his effective services in organizing science in the west. During the last thirty years he has originated the following scientific associations, viz.: Kansas Academy of Science, Kansas City Academy of Science, and California Science Association. The Indiana Academy of Science and the Ohio Academy of Science were organized on the plan of the Kansas Academy of Science, and under the scientific impulse derived from it, and the Ohio Academy of Science was originated by one of its former members. The field occupied by these academies contains a third of a million square miles, and about 10,000,000 people, whose opportunities for scientific knowledge have been greatly increased by these societies. About 1,000 men and women are connected with these associations, representing every branch of science, and many of these scientists have become distinguished in their various departments.

Chaplain Parker says he has pursued this life work most assiduously, but at times under great financial discouragements, and sometimes in sickness and pain and feebleness, still it has been the joy of his life, and he has great satisfaction in knowing that his associates and fellow workers have accomplished such a noble and enduring work for science.

When Chaplain Parker came to San Diego five years ago, his physician despaired of his life. Now, under the magical influence of this climate, his health is nearly recovered, and he looks forward hopefully to future years of usefulness.—*The San Diegan Sun.*

Mr. Lawrence Bruner, of the University of Nebraska, has sailed to Argentina to study the ravages of the locusts, which have recently developed into a terrible pest, certain regions being completely devastated by them. The Argentine Government has appropriated \$400,000 for relief while a syndicate of business men have raised funds to

employ an entomologist to study the question. Mr. Bruner will remain a year at their expense. His labors as an economic entomologist have especially fitted him for this work. His place at Nebraska will be filled by his assistant, Mr. Hunter, during his absence.

The National Academy of Science has appointed Dr. Theodore N. Gill to prepare the biography of the late Professor Cope. Professor Cope was to have delivered the address as retiring president before the American Association for the Advancement of Science at its Detroit meeting. Dr. Gill as first vice-president will be the acting president and will deliver a memorial address upon the scientific work of Professor Cope.

The following persons have recently qualified themselves for the position of privat-docent: Dr. Alfred Bergeat for geology in the University of Munich; Dr. René Du Bois Reymond for physiology in the University of Berlin; Dr. A. Landauer for physiology in the University of Budapest; Dr. Franz Nissl for anatomy in the University of Heidelberg; Dr. Heinrich Sachs for anatomy in the University of Breslau.

Professor Johannes von Kries, of Freiburg, who was called to the chair of physiology in the University of Berlin, as successor to the late Professor Du Bois Reymond, has decided to remain in Freiburg.

Dr. Henri Filhol, professor of anatomy in the Museum of Natural History of Paris, has been elected to membership in the Academy of Sciences of Paris, as successor to the late Professor Sappey.

Dr. F. Saccardo, professor in the enological school at Avellino, and known for his studies of lichens, died Oct. 6, 1896, aged 27 years. He was a nephew of Dr. P. A. Saccardo, the mycologist.

Dr. W. A. Rothert has been advanced to the position of professor extraordinarius of botany in the University of Kazan, and Dr. O. Seeliger to the chair of zoology in the University of Berlin.

Dr. Beer has qualified as privat-docent in comparative physiology in the University of Vienna, and Dr. R. Krause as privat-docent in anatomy in the University of Berlin.

Among other recent deaths we notice those of S. Scholz-Rogozinski, African traveler; P. Briard, mycologist; A. S. Smith, ornithologist, and Dr. G. W. Child, botanist.

Professor Karl Alfred von Zittel, professor in paleontology in Munich, has been elected corresponding member of the Academy of Sciences in St. Petersburg.

Dr. J. A. Oudemans has resigned his position as director of the Botanical Gardens at Amsterdam, and Dr. Hugo de Vries has been appointed as his successor.

The government of the Transvaal, South Africa, is about to establish a University at Pretoria. Instruction will be given in the Dutch language.

The Royal Academy of Sciences, in Berlin, has elected Professor E. H. Ehlers, of Göttingen, to associate membership in the class of zoology.

Prof. B. C. Brühl, for nearly forty years professor of anatomy in the University of Vienna, has resigned and removed to Gratz.

S. Flower, the son of Sir W. H. Flower of the British Museum, has gone to Bangkok as director of the Royal Museum of Siam.

Dr. O. Penziz, professor of botany in the University of Genoa, has gone on a long trip for botanical study in the East Indies.

Miss A. M. Claypole has been appointed instructor in zoology, and Miss J. Evans instructor in botany in Wellesley College.

Dr. G. Dewalque, professor of physical geography and geology in the University of Liege, has resigned on account of age.

The Academy of Sciences of Paris has elected the mineralogist Gustav Tschermak, of Vienna, to corresponding membership.

Dr. H. G. Hallier has resigned his position in the Botanical Station at Buitenzorg, Java, and has returned to Germany.

Prof. M. Schiff, who occupied the chair of physiology in the University of Geneva, died Oct. 6, 1896, at the age of 73.

The director of the Bacteriological Institute of the University of Vienna, Dr. R. Kerry, died Oct. 19, 1896.

W. Whitaker, for forty years district surveyor of the Geological Survey of England, has resigned his position.

Dr. Rudolf Schäfer has resigned his position as custodian of the paleontological Collections in Munich.

Professor Alfred Hughes, of the chair of anatomy in the University College, Cardiff, Wales, has resigned.

Professor W. Kühne, of Heidelberg, has refused a call to Berlin, as a successor to Du Bois Reymond.

Dr. F. Graeff, of Freiburg, i. B., goes to the University of Breslau as professor extraordinarius of mineralogy.

Dr. F. von Müller, government botanist at Victoria, died at Melbourne, Oct. 9, 1896, aged 71.

Dr. Müller has resigned his position as director of the Zoological Gardens at Königsberg, i. P.

Dr. J. A. Moloney, the African traveler, died in Surtiton, So. Africa, Oct. 5, 1896, aged 36 years.

F. A. Hazslinsky de Hazlin, the nestor of Hungarian Botanists, died in Eperjes, Nov. 19, 1896.

Dr. Teodoro Caruel, professor of botany in the University of Florence, has retired.

Prof. A. Negri, geologist and paleontologist of Padua, committed suicide Dec. 11, 1896.

Prof. A. Batalin, director of the Botanical Garden at St. Petersburg, died Oct. 15, 1896.

Sir B. W. Richardson, histologist, died in London, Nov. 21, 1896, aged 68 years.

E. C. Thurber, ornithologist, died September 6, 1896, at Alhambra, California.

Thomas Egleston, Professor of Mineralogy in Columbia College, has resigned.

A. Trecul, botanist, of Paris, died Oct. 17, 1896, at the age of 70.

The following important announcement is extracted from a private letter just received by the Managing Editor pro tem. of this journal from Prof. Th. Tschernychew, and relates to regulation of the Committee of Organization of the International Geological Congress by which it would be well for all universities and scientific societies to profit. The translation follows:

International Geological Congress,
7th Session, 1897. ST. PETERSBURG, April 3, 1897.

Honored Sir:—In answer to your letter of the 25th of March I have the honor to announce that all Scientific Societies which inscribe themselves members of the Congress will receive its publications. The bureau considers it a duty to thank you for having distributed its circulars to geologists in America, and to inform you that from this time

on the number of persons who have inscribed themselves is so great—nearly 700—that it will be absolutely impossible to enable them all to take part in the excursions.

As to the delegates of the different scientific institutions, the Committee of Organization, desiring to follow the precedent established by former Congresses, hopes that each of those institutions which desires to have itself represented by a delegate will not fail to announce his name in advance.

Accept the assurance of my most distinguished consideration.

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Learned societies and other similar bodies which desire to profit by this permission, should address Mr. A. O. Michalski, Comité Géologique, St. Petersburg, Wassili Ostrow. 4^{me} ligne, enclosing a draft for twenty-two francs and specifically stating the name of the Society which wishes to be inscribed a member of the Congress, and also that in addition to the twelve francs which are sent as membership dues, ten francs are added for the livret guide (which will contain very valuable information).—P. F.